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SALLY FORTH



THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



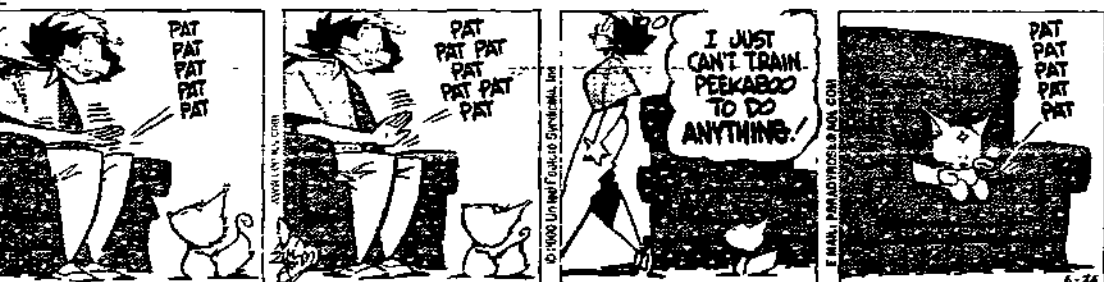
9 CHICKWEED LANE



ANDY CAPP



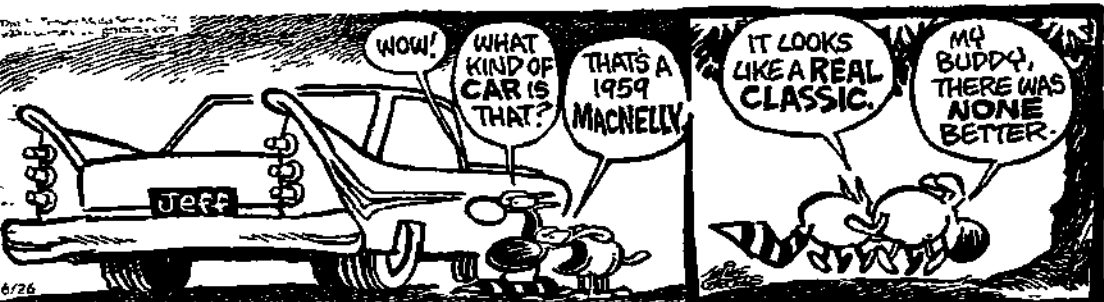
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HAGAR THE HORRIBLE



MOTHER GOOSE AND GRIMM



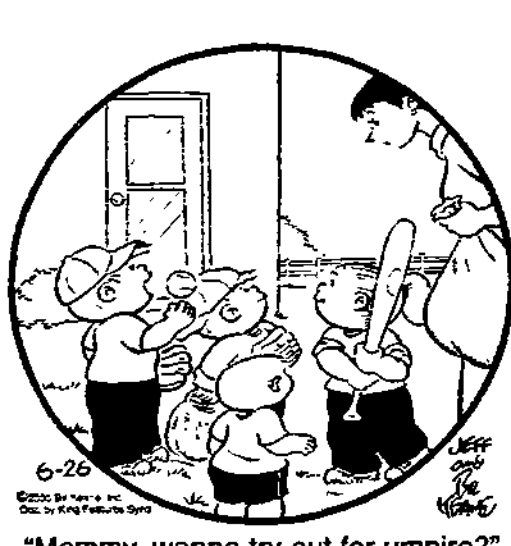
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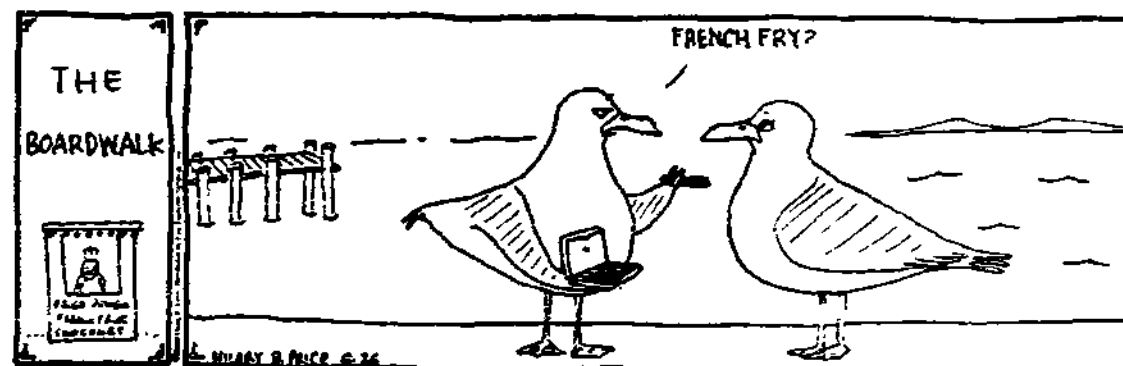
DENNIS THE MENACE



FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



RALPH



Today's Birthdays

Actress Eleanor Parker is 78. Jazz musician-film composer Dave Grusin is 66. Actor Josef Sommer is 68. Singer Billy Davis Jr. (The Fifth Dimension) is 60. Singer George Fame is 57. Actor Clive Francis is 54. Actor Robert Davi is 46. Singer-musician Mick Jones is 45. Actor Gedde Watanabe is 45. Rock singer Chris Isaak is 44. Rock singer Patty Smyth is 43. Singer Terri Nunn (Berlin) is 39.

I NEED HELP



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L	E	N	S	D	T	A	1st Letter Triple
U	T	R	S	C	A	O	4th Letter Double

PAR SCORE 135-145 by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word using scoring directions at right. *Seven words get 50-point bonus. "Blanks" used as any letter have no point value. A Judd's word is in The Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (Merrill-Webster), and OSW Official Scrabble Words (Chambers). JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW 5-26-00

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WORD SLEUTH

ASSOCIATED WITH UNIONS

F B Y V S P M J H E B Y V T Q
O L I S G D S M B Y W T R P M
K I F E T O D E B Y W U S D Q
O M K U T I I M G F D B R Z X
E W U D S C F B T A Q A O N L
J K L T W L A E S T W H F D C
A Y I A R F W R N E O V T S Q
P N U R B A U S T E K C I P L
K I H F T O D S E N B C Y B Z
A F F O H S R E K R O W Y O W
V U S R Q P N M S L J C I H B

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Monday's unlisted clue line: JIMMY -

AFL-CIO	Dues	Pickets	UAW
Benefits	Hours	Steward	Wages
Boycott	Labor	Strike	Workers
Contract	Members	Trades	

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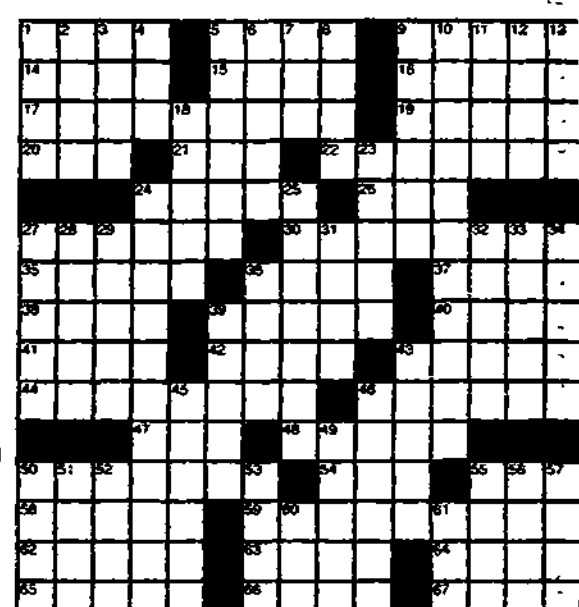
N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

No. 051

- ACROSS**
- 1 Romeo (sports car)
 - 5 Bottom of a boat
 - 9 Yankee Stadium surface
 - 14 Jump (out), as from a plane
 - 15 Woodwind
 - 16 Main artery
 - 17 Theodore Roosevelt follower, 1912
 - 19 Take to jail
 - 20 Suffix with Gator
 - 21 "Man Answers" (Sandra Dee film)
 - 22 1-Down, e.g.
 - 24 Overly common
 - 26 Book before Esth.
 - 27 Black-footed animal
 - 30 Purify ceremonially
 - 35 Not silently
 - 36 More than senous
 - 37 Midmonth date
 - 38 Machine cylinders
 - 39 bourgeois
 - 40 Car scar
 - 41 Coup d'
 - 42 "Buyer beware" phrase
 - 43 Free-for-all
 - 44 Two five-spots
 - 46 Special Forces headgear
 - 47 French article
 - 48 Amount of hair
 - 50 Arthur Fiedler, e.g.
 - 54 Partner of outs
 - 55 Demolition stuff
 - 58 Supplement
 - 59 Theodore Roosevelt's namesake toy
 - 62 Star in Onon's left foot
 - 63 "Picnic" playwright
 - 64 Major
 - 65 Edgar Bergen's Morbimer
 - 66 Tea leaves reader
 - 67 Velcro alternative
- DOWN**
- 1 "Waterloo" pop group
 - 2 Prase
 - 3 Manicurist's tool
 - 4 Word before "that" or "there"
 - 5 Forgo a cab
 - 6 Depth charge target
 - 7 The "L" of L.A.
 - 8 Popular jeans
 - 9 January's birthstone
 - 10 Theodore Roosevelt's group
 - 11 "Rule Britannia" songwriter
 - 12 Paint can direction
 - 13 Lacking
 - 18 Stuck
 - 23 Corner map
 - 24 Theodore Roosevelt's moniker
 - 25 High-hatter
 - 27 Aspect

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

APIECE GRAZED
GUNRACKS ROCOCO
AMANTILLO AMINOR
RANDOMEMPTY DALI
REC BEATLES
CATS TREADLE
OXO VIOL ISSUE
VEENECKSWEATERS
ESSEX IONS GAS
WEBFEET SALE
GRIDDLE IST
LAME IWANIMYMYTV
ONEARM CALAMARI
SEALUP SHERIDAN
SENSES STEEPS



Puzzle by Gregory E. Paul

28 Thrill to death	49 Blue Mountains	53 Elevator man
29 Kind of candle	50 "Total Recall" setting	56 Beach bird
31 "Exodus" author	51 Tennis score after deuce	58 Jet Propulsion Lab grp.
32 Fred Astaire's sister	52 Narrowly defeat	57 Pitfall
33 Basic belief		60 WSW's reverse
34 Park, Colo.		61 School transport

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